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- 3 <u>Test accommodations.</u>
- 4 (a) Disabilities and impairments. An Applicant who has mental, physical, or cognitive
- 5 disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") may request test
- 6 accommodations. The request, including all supporting medical documentation, shall be made in
- 7 writing at the time of application in the format prescribed by the Bar. The decision on such
- 8 requests shall be made by the LPP Admissions Committee. Test accommodation requests
- 9 received after the application filing deadline shall not be considered until the review period prior
- 10 to the immediately following examination. An Applicant requesting test accommodations who
- withdraws within 60 days prior to the examination date may be charged a fee equivalent to any
- 12 <u>nonrefundable expenses the Bar has incurred responding to the accommodation request. The</u>
- 13 Applicant must demonstrate that:
- 14 (a)(1) she or he is disabled as defined by the ADA; and
- 15 (a)(2) the disability impacts her or his ability to take the Paralegal Practitioner Examination(s);
- 16 <u>and</u>
- 17 (a)(3) the accommodation requested is necessary to meet the limitation caused by the disability.
- 18 (b) English as a second language. English as a second language is not a cognitive disability or
- 19 impairment.
- 20 (c) Review. An Applicant may request a review of the decision. The review will be conducted in
- 21 <u>accordance with Rule15-715.</u>
- 22 (c)(1) The review will only reexamine the documentation the Applicant submitted at the time she
- or he requested accommodation, the written opinion of the Committee's psychologist, the written
- 24 recommendation of the LPP Admissions Committee and the Bar's written decision.
- 25 (c)(2) Any attempt to change the original accommodations request or submit new medical
- documentation will be considered a new request for accommodation. The new request must be
- 27 resubmitted to the LPP Admissions Committee for review and is subject to the deadlines set
- 28 <u>forth in Rule 15-706(a).</u>